

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applica	ation of:	PATENT APPLICATION
Inventors:	Andrew R. Ferlitsch, Mary L. Bourret and Jerry S. Orleck	
Serial No.:	Not Yet Assigned	Attorney Docket No.
Filed:	Herewith	) SLA 1004
Title:	Methods and Systems for Printing Device Load-Balancing	) ) )

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

"Express Mail" mailing label number: **EL871313834US**Date of Mailing: <u>September 26, 2001</u>

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service, utilizing the "Express Mail" Post Office to Addressee" service addressed to Box PATENT APPLICATION, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC, 20231 and mailed on the above Date of Mailing with the above "Express Mail" mailing label number.

Scott C. Krieger

Signature Date: September 26, 2001

Box PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application identified as follows:

Inventors: Andrew R. Ferlitsch, Mary L. Bourret and Jerry S. Orleck

## Title: Methods and Systems for Print-Processor-Based Printer Availability Detection and Print Job Distribution

No. of pages in Specification:

43 No. of Claims 25

No. of sheets of Drawings:

<u>16</u> Formal: <u>X</u>

Also enclosed are:

- X A Declaration.
- X An Assignment and Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
- X Power of Attorney by Assignee.
- A certified copy of a priority application.
- A Verified Statement to establish small entity status.
- X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

The filing fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.16 is determined as follows:

No. Filed	No. Extra		Other Than	Rate Small Entity/ Other Than Small Entity		
Basic Fee			\$355.00 \$710.00	=	\$	710.00
Total Claims <u>25</u> - 20	_5_	Х	\$ 9.00 \$18.00	-	\$	90.00
Independent Claims <u>6</u> - 3	_3_	Х	\$ 40.00 \$ 80.00		\$	240.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Cla	im(s) (0	))	\$135.00 \$270.00		\$	00.00
		·	Total		\$	1040.00

If the difference is less than zero, enter "0".

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0803 in the amount of \$\_1080.00\_\_to Χ cover the filing fee (\$1040.00) and assignment recording fee (\$40.00) A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$ 00.00 to cover the filing fee (\$ 00.00) and assignment recording fee (\$00.00) is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment of Χ any fees, (including those listed below), or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0803. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.
  - X Any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. X

## Correspondence Address

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.34(a), please direct all correspondence in this application to the following:

> Scott C. Krieger, Patent Attorney Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc. 5750 NW Pacific Rim Boulevard Camas, WA 98607 Telephone: (360) 817-8488

Facsimile: (360) 834-8696

Respectfully submitted,

Scott C. Krieger, Patent Attorney Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc. 5750 NW Pacific Rim Boulevard Camas, WA 98607

Telephone: (360) 817-8488 Facsimile: (360) 834-8696